

1L Course Selection

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Important Dates:

1L January Experiential Term (JET) Round:

- Opens: Monday, November 3rd @ 9am
- Closes: Wednesday, November 5th @ 5pm
- Results posted Friday, November 7th by 5pm
- Deadline to change JET class: Wednesday, December 3rd 11:59pm

1L Spring Upper-level Elective Round:

- Opens: Monday, November 10th @ 9am
- Closes: Thursday, November 13th @ 5pm
- Results posted Tuesday, November 18th by 5pm
- Deadline to change Spring elective: Friday, January 30th 11:59pm

<https://hls.harvard.edu/academics/curriculum/registration-information/> and scroll to "Important Dates."

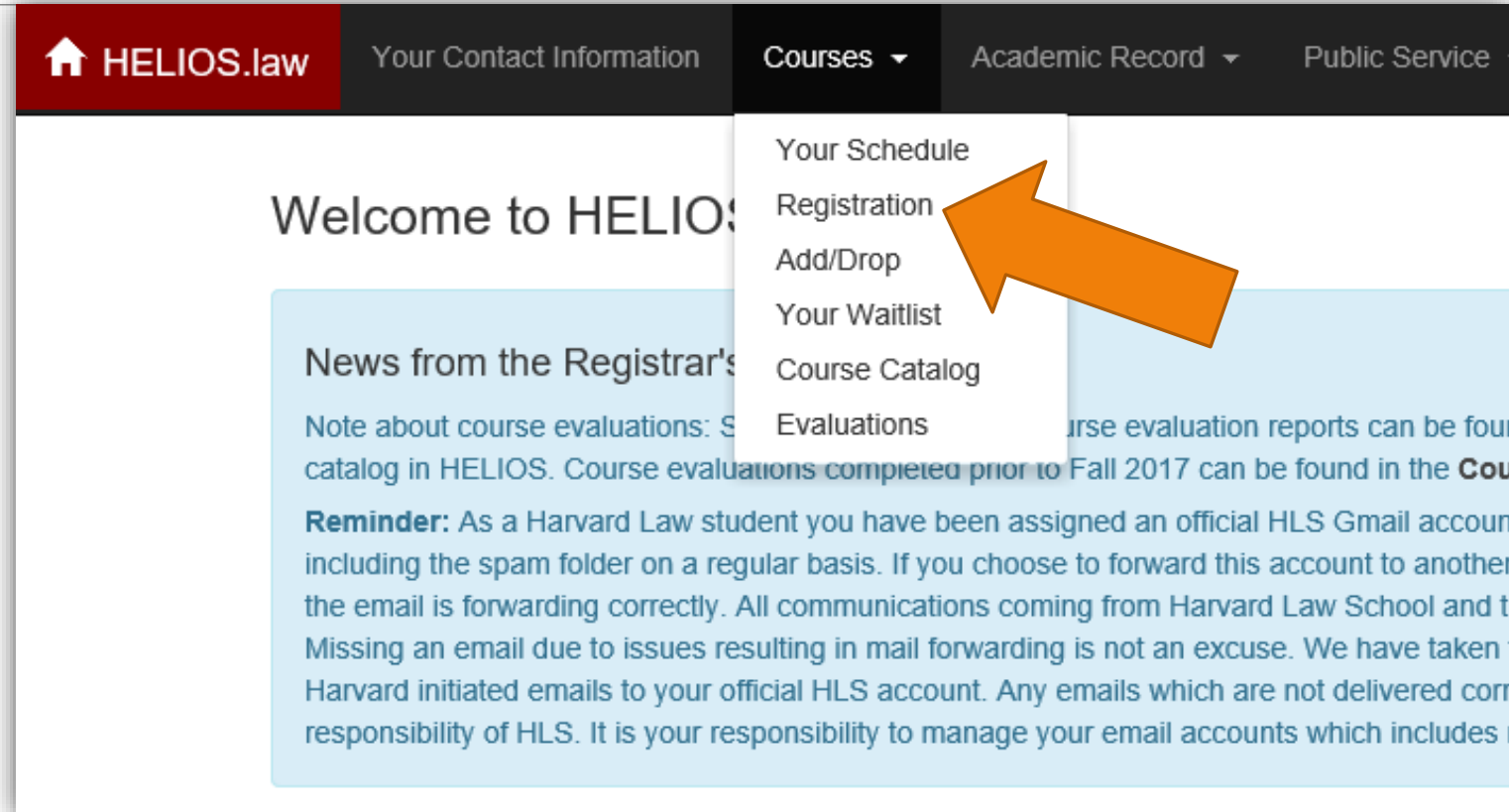
Course Selection in Helios

- Similar to the 1L Reading Group round, you will select classes and submit preferences on Helios
- Courses > Registration > Find Courses
- You can adjust your list of classes under the “Preference Order” tab
- If you update your preferences, you MUST return to the “Preference Order” tab and select “Submit Preferences” each time.

Preference selection added: you have
unsubmitted changes. ✕

Course preferences successfully
submitted ✕

Course Selection in Helios



The screenshot displays the HELIOS.law website interface. The top navigation bar includes a red home icon and the text 'HELIOS.law', followed by links for 'Your Contact Information', 'Courses', 'Academic Record', and 'Public Service'. The 'Courses' dropdown menu is open, showing options: 'Your Schedule', 'Registration', 'Add/Drop', 'Your Waitlist', 'Course Catalog', and 'Evaluations'. A large orange arrow points to the 'Registration' option. The main content area features a 'Welcome to HELIOS' heading and a 'News from the Registrar's' section. The news section contains a note about course evaluations and a reminder for Harvard Law students regarding their official HLS Gmail accounts.

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Your Contact Information

Courses ▾

Academic Record ▾

Public Service

Welcome to HELIOS

News from the Registrar's

Note about course evaluations: S... course evaluation reports can be found in the Course Catalog in HELIOS. Course evaluations completed prior to Fall 2017 can be found in the **Cou**

Reminder: As a Harvard Law student you have been assigned an official HLS Gmail account including the spam folder on a regular basis. If you choose to forward this account to another the email is forwarding correctly. All communications coming from Harvard Law School and t Missing an email due to issues resulting in mail forwarding is not an excuse. We have taken Harvard initiated emails to your official HLS account. Any emails which are not delivered correctly are the responsibility of HLS. It is your responsibility to manage your email accounts which includes

Step 1: Select the Registration Tab & Review Instructions

Registration

You have submitted 0 of 12 preferences.

Instructions

Find Courses

Preference Order

Sample screenshot of what you should see in the Registration Page

Choosing Courses to Add to your Preference List:

- You are creating a preference list for the Spring Elective registration round.
- You may preference up to 12 courses in this registration round.

Ordering the Courses in your Preference List and Submitting:

- Once your courses are selected, click on the Preference Order tab.
- You can re-order your selections by dragging and dropping the courses.
- Once you are finished choosing your courses and putting them in the correct order, ***you must click on the "Submit" button and your preference list has been saved.***

Making Changes to your Preference List:

- Once you submit your course preference list, you may go back and edit it any time until the preferencing period ends.
- **You must re-submit your preference list any time you make changes to it in order to save those changes.**

Step 2: Select the Find Courses Tab

Registration

You have submitted 0 preferences.

[Instructions](#)

[Find Courses](#)

[Preference Order](#)



Any Instructor



Any Term



Any Subject



Exclude Days/Types:

Mon

Tue

Wed

Thu

Fri

Sat

Clinic

Course

Reading Group

Seminar

Displaying 1 - 10 of 134 results

10/page



[Advanced Corporate Transactions](#)

Spring 2016 Course; Marshall Sonenshine

M 5:00pm - 7:00pm

[Advanced Environmental Law in Theory and Application](#)

Spring 2016 Course; Richard Lazarus

M, T 1:00pm - 2:30pm

[Advanced Readings in Japanese Business Law](#)

Spring 2016 Seminar; J. Mark Ramseyer

M 5:00pm - 7:00pm

[Advanced Topics in Evidence: The Truth](#)

Spring 2016 Seminar; Charles Nesson

F 1:00pm - 3:00pm

Step 3: Search Courses and Add Preferences

Advanced Environmental Law in Theory and Application

Professor Richard Lazarus

Spring 2016 course

M, T 1:00pm - 2:30pm

3 classroom credits

Prerequisites: There are no formal prerequisites for the class, although the environmental law survey course is a recommended course to have taken beforehand.

Exam Type: Any-day take-home exam.

This course complements the general survey course in environmental law. The primary contrast between the two courses lies in their relative breadth and depth of coverage. The survey course can perhaps be best described as a series of broad, shallow dives into the substance of federal environmental law. This class, Advanced Environmental Law In Theory and Application, includes a series, far fewer in number, of much narrower and deeper dives into some of the same material, but also different material, potentially including natural resources law. The basic objective of this advanced course is to teach students how to navigate and think about an exceedingly complex regime of statutes, regulations, and informal agency practices, in the context of addressing a concrete environmental problem. By examining in detail environmental law in application, the theoretical underpinnings and the challenges of environmental lawmaking are well highlighted.

Subject Areas: Environmental Law

Add Preference



Step 4a: Select Preference Order Tab and Submit Preferences

Registration

You have selected 5 courses. You have unsubmitted changes.

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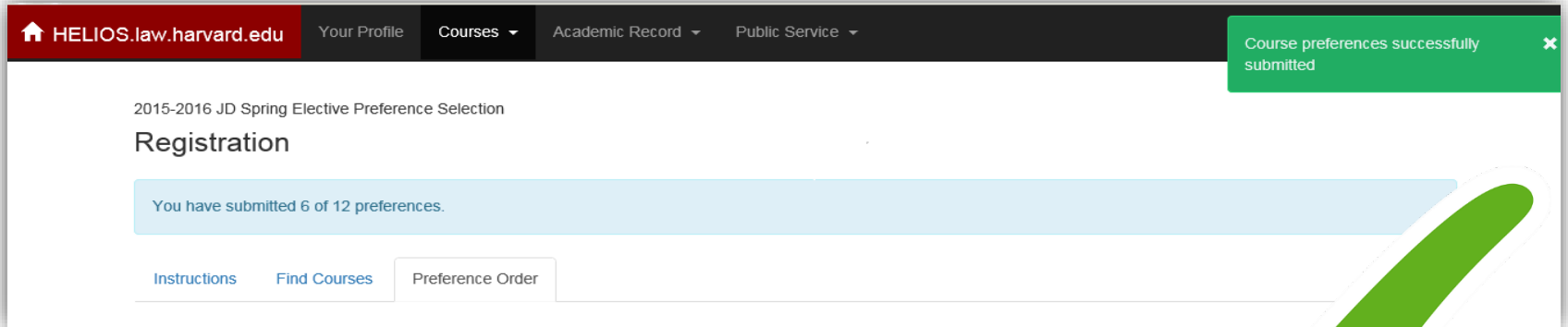
You can drag and drop the courses to easily re-order your preferences; don't forget to press "submit" to save your changes!

Drag items to reorder

1. **Spring 2016 Advanced Environmental Law in Theory and Application** (Lazarus) ⓘ ✕
2. **Spring 2016 Advanced Corporate Transactions** (Sonenshine) ⓘ ✕
3. **Spring 2016 American Legal History: Law and Social Reform, 1929-1973** (Brown-Nagin) ⓘ ✕
4. **Spring 2016 Advanced Readings in Japanese Business Law** (Ramseyer) ⓘ ✕
5. **Spring 2016 Animal Law** (Stilt) ⓘ ✕

Submit

Step 4b: Receive Popup Confirmation of Successfully Submitted Preferences



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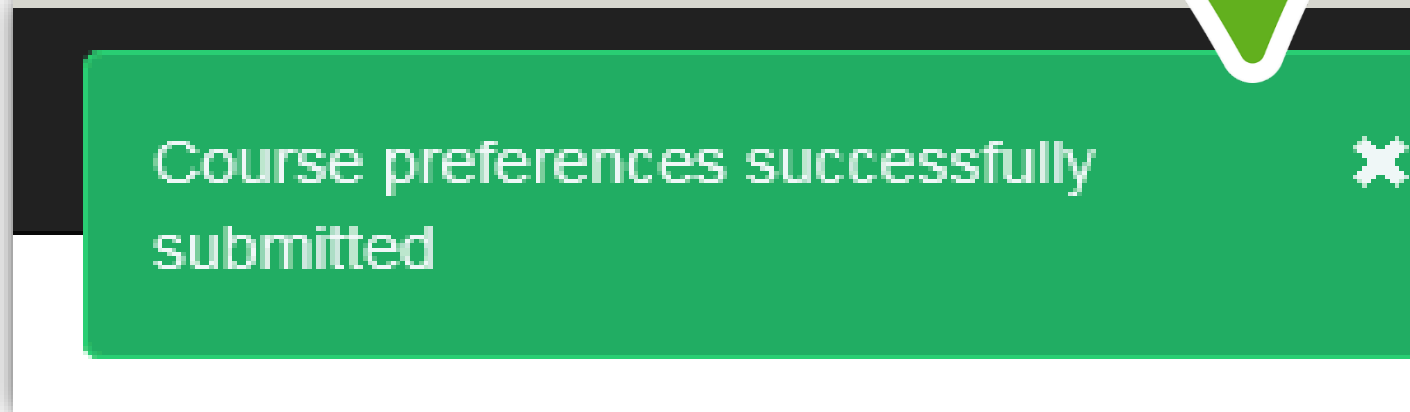
2015-2016 JD Spring Elective Preference Selection

Registration

You have submitted 6 of 12 preferences.

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Course preferences successfully submitted ✕



Course preferences successfully submitted ✕

Steps 1-4: Unsubmitted Changes & Re-submitting Preferences

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Preference selection added: you have unsubmitted changes.

2015-2016 JD Spring Elective Preference Selection
Registration

You have selected 5 of 12 preferences. You have unsubmitted changes.

Instructions Find Courses Preference

Preference selection added: you have unsubmitted changes.

If you update your preferences during any phase, you MUST return to the “Preference Order” tab and select “Submit Preferences” each time.

Otherwise, your changes will NOT be saved.

Degree Requirements

- JET courses that satisfy the **negotiation/leadership** requirement:
 - Advocacy: The Courtroom and Beyond
 - Leadership Fundamentals
 - Negotiation Workshop
 - Technology and the Public Interest
 - The Craft of Lawyering
 - Lawyering for Justice in the United States
- There are several spring electives that fulfill the **International/Comparative** requirement.
- Spring course that fulfills the **Legal Profession** requirement:
 - Legal Profession: Public Interest Lawyering
- **The upper-level writing requirement cannot be completed or worked on as a 1L student.**
 - If you have questions about the writing requirement, please contact Lauren Chapman, lchapman@law.harvard.edu.
- Review your personalized degree audit in Helios!

Course Selection Resources

- [2025-2026 1L Registration Information](#) | 1L Section Spring Elective Lists
- [1L Registration Preferencing FAQs](#)
- [Course Catalog](#) | Class details, by perm classes, requirements; filtered searches
- [Course and Schedule Updates](#)
- [Tentative Spring 2026 Exam Schedule](#)
- [BSA Advisors](#)
- [Programs of Study](#)
- [Course Evaluations available in Helios](#)
- [Ask the Registrar tables at the Hark Ramp](#)
 - Wednesday November 5th 12:30-1:30pm
 - Wednesday November 12th 12:30-1:30pm

1L Spring Upper-level Elective Round

- All 1Ls must enroll in one, 2-4 credit elective during their spring semester.
- Students must preference between 6 and 12 courses during this registration round.
- When preferencing, all courses available to 1Ls will be shown. ***However, you should only preference courses included in your section list.***
 - If you preference a course not included on your section list, you will not be enrolled and you will be wasting a bid.

Now that your preferences are submitted, what's next?

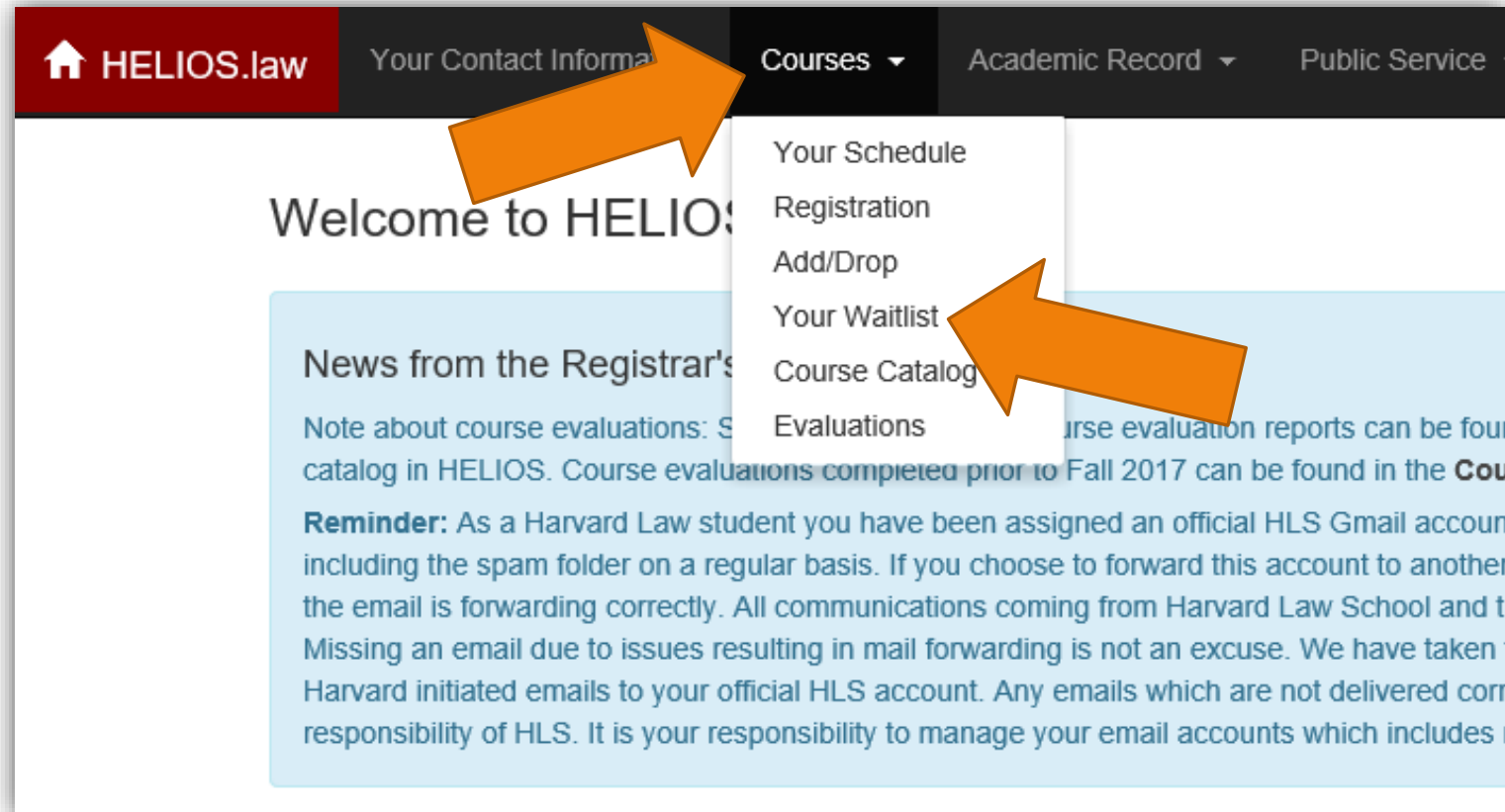
1. Confirmation of Bids Email:

- Sent to all students that submitted bids (approximately 1 hour after closing of bids).
- If you do not receive this email then we did not receive your bids.
 - In this case, email the Registrar's Office with a list of your preferences via registrar@law.Harvard.edu

2. The enrollment algorithm runs.

3. Results are released in Helios by 5pm on the stated release date for that round.

Viewing your Results and Waitlist Positions



Add/Drop & Waitlist Processing:

Add/drop begins once results are released for each round.

- Add/drop deadlines:
 - January Experiential Term: **Wednesday December 3rd at 11:59pm ET.**
 - Spring Upper-level Elective: **Friday, January 30th at 11:59pm ET.**

Waitlist processing:

- Waitlists are processed in priority order.
- Students have 15-hours to accept waitlist offers.
- Waitlist processing will pause in early December for the fall exam period and will resume after winter break.

For more information on add/drop and waitlist processing, please see our [Course and Clinic Selection Information](#) page.

Course Selection Reminders:

For successful course selection:

- ✓ Note all dates and deadlines
- ✓ Utilize all available resources
- ✓ Complete and submit preferences in Helios
- ✓ **Must always select “Submit” to save changes**



Submit

Do you have additional Questions?

Read the [Frequently Asked Questions for 1L Registration](#)

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